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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Confirmation No.: 1904

CANALI et al.

Art Unit: 3628

Application No.: 09/784,330

Examiner: F. Poinvil

Filed: February 16, 2001

Docket No.: 028035-00007

For: AUCTION BASED PROCUREMENT SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

July 11, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Decision Refusing Status mailed on June 21, 2007, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) filed on October 1, 2001. The Decision Refusing Status indicates that the Declaration filed with the petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) on October 1, 2001, is not acceptable as failing to comply with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116 because only one of the signing joint inventors, Brendan Walsh, signed on behalf of the non-signing inventors. The Decision Refusing Status goes on to state that a Declaration would be acceptable if all the signing inventors signed in their respective signature blocks and the signature block(s) of the non-signing inventor(s) is/are left blank or if all of the signing inventors sign a statement saying that they are signing on behalf of the non-signing inventors.

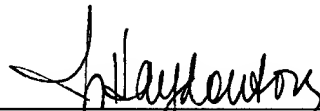
Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully submit herewith a substitute Declaration, separately signed by all of the signing inventors (Luigi J. F. Canali, Stephen P. Candemo, Brendan B. Walsh, Gail M. Bergantino, Jorn M. Schaffner and Michael J. Hasslinger) in their respective signature blocks, with the signature blocks of the non-signing inventors (Felipe Fuster and Frank Banda) left blank. The Applicants respectfully submit that the substitute Declaration is in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116, and request reconsideration of the Petition filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) on October 1, 2001. Favorable action on this Petition is earnestly requested.

Should the Examiner determine that any further action is necessary to place this application into better form, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned representative at the number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with

this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referring to client-matter
number 028035-00007.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures: Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Luigi J. F. Canali on
May 21, 2001;
Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Stephen P.
Candelmo on April 30, 2001;
Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Brendan B. Walsh on
May 7, 2007;
Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Gail M. Bergantino
on June 10, 2001;
Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Jorn M. Schaffner on
September 21, 2001; and
Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Michael J. Hasslinger
on July 22, 2001.